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SUBJECT: FINLAND RECOGNIZES SOUTH VIETNAM

REF: HELSINKI 956 (NOTAL)

1. FINLAND OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED STATE OF SOUTH VIETNAM THIS MORNING, MAY 9, WHEN PRESIDENT KEKKONEN APPROVED GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSAL TO DO SO. FINNISH DECISION WAS IMMEDIATELY ANNOUNCED TO PRESS AND COMMUNICATED TO SOUTH VIETNAMESE AUTHORITIES THROUGH PRG RPRESENTATION IN HANOI. FINNS WERE ADVISED TO USE THIS CHANNEL BY TRAN VAN HUE, CHIEF OF PRG INFORMATION OFFICE IN HELSINKI. FINMIN KARJALAINEN EMPHASIZED TO EMBOFF THAT DECISION WAS NATURAL
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FOLLOWUP TO RECENT GOVERNMENT STATEMENTS (REFTEL) AND

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THAT NO STEPS HAD YET BEEN TAKEN WITH REGARD TO ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS.

2. WHEN MEETING PRESS AFTER DECISION ANNOUNCED KARJALAINEN WAS ASKED HOW HE VIEWED FUTURE OF VIETNAM: WOULD THERE BE ONE GOVERNMENT OR TWO? KARJALAINEN RESPONDED THAT THAT WAS A MATTER FOR VIETNAMESE THEMSELVES TO DECIDE -- THE SITUATION IN SOUTH VIETNAM WHICH WAS "UNCLEAR" AT THE TIME FINLAND RECOGNIZED NORTH VIETNAM IN DECEMBER 1972 IS NOW RESOLVED AND CONDITIONS FOR RECOGNIZING STATE OF SOUTH VIETNAM FULFILLED.
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